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1. [] Called Chairman Lucien N. Nedzi (D., Mich.), House Armed Services Committee, and advised him of the information we had received that arrangements had been made with Chairman Thomas E. Morgan (D., Pa.), House Foreign Affairs Committee, for a point of order to be raised with respect to the phrase "any other law" in section 22 of the Foreign Assistance Act amendments, and that the point of order would be sustained on the grounds of germaneness. I said it was our understanding further that the validity of this point of order has been agreed to by the House Parliamentarian and indicated that this was contrary to information that Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, received from the Parliamentarian's office on a similar inquiry the other day. I said perhaps a distinction could be made between striking the entire section and merely striking the words "or any other" from the phrase. In any event, it seemed to us that if the point of order is sustained with respect to section 22, it can be made with equal persuasiveness with respect to section 27, which contains the limitation on intelligence activities. Mr. Nedzi said he had also discussed the issue of germaneness with the Parliamentarian and received a response similar to that given Slatinshek, but agreed that there might be a valid technical distinction. He said he would be alert to the action on section 22 and would raise the same question with respect to section 27 if it is sustained. If this tactic is not successful, he plans to enter into a colloquy with Chairman Morgan on the intent of section 27. In a conversation later in the day, I advised Frank Slatinshek of my conversation with the Chairman.

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2. [] In response to his call the other day I talked with Stu French, DOD, and told him that we were unable to be of any assistance to him regarding the situation in Puerto Rico. He said he thought that would be the case and he didn't want to involve us in anything of a domestic nature, but thought the question was worth raising.

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3. [] Per arrangements made by Mr. Cary, delivered a blind memo on estimated Soviet Bloc recoverable equivalent uranium material production to Seymour Schwiller, JCAE.

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4. [] Delivered to the offices of Senators Abraham Ribicoff (D., Conn.), James L. Buckley (R., N.Y.) Hubert H. Humphrey (D., Minn.), Mike Mansfield (D., Mont.), and Henry M. Jackson (D., Wash.) in which their names were identified.

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5. [] In response to his call yesterday, I advised [] NSC Staff, that we had discussed the thrust of the Baker/Weicker proposal in an Agency bulletin in October along with other legislative proposals, and I said I was sending a copy of that bulletin to him. I told him a copy of the Director's letter of 3 December 1974 to Senator John C. Stennis (D., Miss.) on the Foreign Assistance Act amendments was sent to General Scowcroft, as well as to Tom Korologos. With respect to the USIB report on legislation, I told [] that the report had not been prepared by our office, but that we were going over it to update it and to make some corrections in it.

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6. [] John Goldsmith, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, called me regarding an anonymous inquiry the Committee has received regarding an ad that appeared in the Washington Post of Sunday, November 24th, indicating that Quest Systems, Inc., was recruiting computer programmers for the intelligence community to work at a major installation. The ad specifically cited NSA, CIA, and DIA, and contained a telephone number and address. Goldsmith said he considered the contact to be a crank, but would like any information we might have with respect to this ad. I told him I would check and be back in touch with him.

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7. [] Called Steve Daniels, Representative John N. Erlenborn's (R., Ill.) staff man on the House Government Operations Committee, and asked if we could review a copy of the compromise right of privacy bill before it is submitted to the Congress. He said that OMB will be circulating the bill for coordination within the Executive. I later received a call from Frank Reeder, OMB, who asked that we be prepared to review for Agency comment on a very short notice a compromise bill that will be ready Thursday or Friday. He had been assured by the House and Senate Government Operations Committee staffers that the CIA exemption is intact. We agreed, however, that we would both review the bill carefully to assure that there are no problems.

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8. [] Received a call from Wyn Jones, on the staff of Senator Bill Brock (R., Tenn.), who said their office had received a request from a constituent for information on an "International Security Agency" and would we know how to go about it. I checked and told him the closest I could come was the National Security Agency at Fort Meade and the Department of State's International Security Affairs section. I gave him telephone numbers to contact both these agencies. He thanked me for the help.

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9. (Internal Use Only - PLC) Received a call from David Batt, Administrative Assistant to Representative Joe D. Waggoner, Jr. (D., La.), on behalf of a constituent, [REDACTED]

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10. [REDACTED] Called [REDACTED], and advised him that the Congressional Record indicated that the Senate would consider the nomination of Melvin Conant to be Assistant Director of FEA and would also hold a roll call vote on Saturday, 14 December.

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11. [REDACTED] Received a call from Thomas Van Coverdan, Assistant to Representative Martha Griffiths (D., Mich.), and in response to his request made an appointment for 9:30 a.m., Thursday, 12 December, for [REDACTED] to meet with [REDACTED] OP, for an interview.

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12. [REDACTED] Received a call from Phyllis A. Bacon, Assistant Chief Clerk, Senate Armed Services Committee, who asked if this office could confirm that the stenographic notes and other waste from the 11 July 1974 briefing before the Subcommittee on Military Construction Authorization, Senate Armed Services Committee, had indeed been destroyed. After checking with [REDACTED] I called Ms. Bacon back and told her that all the notes, etc. from the briefing had been destroyed some time ago.

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13. [redacted]

In response to his request, I provided

[redacted] with a copy of PL 93-502, the Freedom of Information Act, and the initial draft of the Justice Department guidelines.

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Mr. Warner Mr. Thuermer

Mr. Lehman [redacted]

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